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## REQUEST FOR NEW OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.3 AND CONTINGENT PETITION

Special Programs Examiner Michael J. Carone (By Hand) Donald T. Hajec, Acting Director, Group 3640 (By Hand)

Sir:

## I. Relief Requested

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.3 ("Rule 1.3"), Applicants respectfully request a new Office Action to replace the Office Action dated November 21, 2002. In particular, Applicants respectfully request that the disparaging and offensive remarks in the Office Action regarding the competence, honesty, integrity, and intent of Applicants and Applicants' representative be expunged from the file of the above-identified application. Applicants submit that those remarks demonstrate a lack of decorum and courtesy by the Examiner that is required under Rule 1.3. A copy of the Office Action is attached.

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